TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2847 – HB 3480

April 28, 2010

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (017769): Deletes all language following the enacting clause. Authorizes the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers to grant licensure, upon receipt of a fee, to an applicant that has been licensed and employed as a funeral director or embalmer in another state for five years. Authorizes the Board to accept continuing education credits from another state where the courses completed were approved in the other state.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Revenue - \$10,500/Recurring/Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers
Increase State Expenditures - \$10,500/One-Time/Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- According to the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers, there are approximately 3,500 licensed funeral directors and embalmers.
- According to the Board, notification of statute changes will be mailed to all current licensees at a one-time cost of \$2,000 for printing and mailing. Form modifications will be made at a one-time cost of \$1,000. A rule making hearing will be conducted at a cost of \$7,500. The total one-time increase to state expenditures equals \$10,500.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all boards and commissions are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. Boards and commissions are self-regulating entities and are granted the authority to establish fees at a level sufficient to cover operating costs. As of June 30, 2008, the Board had a positive balance of \$177,133.45.

• According to the Board, fees may be raised to cover the one-time expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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